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SUBJECT: 95 EXBD: BUDGETARY WORKING GROUP DRAFT

RECOMMENDATIONS ON 1975-76 BIENNIUM BUDGET

1. ACCORDING DRAFT REPORT GIVEN PERMDEL BY UK MEMBER, SUBJECT WORKING GROUP RECOMMENDATIONS WILL BE FOR BUDGET CEILING OF \$169,992,000 WHICH REFLECTS REDUCTION OF \$4.4 MILLION FROM DOLLAR FLUCTUATION - INFLATION RECOVERED L8 C/5 BUDGET PROPOSAL AND BASED ON 4.80 FF DOLLAR EXCHANGE RATE.

2. SALIENT ELEMENTS OF PROPOSAL TO BE PRESENTED TO EXBD PLENARY OCT 4 FOR VOTE THEN OR MORE LIKELY OCT 7 ARE: REDUCTION OF 18 C/5 PREMISED GROWTH RATE OF 5.9 PER CENT TO 3 PER CENT AND INCREASE FROM 2.5 PER CENT TO 5 PER CENT IN SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES BOARD AUTHORIZED TO APPROVE. LATTER IN EFFECT PROVIDED AS CUSHION AGAINST POSSIBLE FURTHER DEVALUATION OR INCREASED INFLATION. INFLATION FACTOR ANTICIPATED AS LIKELY TO PROVE HIGHER THAN 12 PER CENT FORESEEN IN JULY REVISION OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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18 C/5 BUDGET. COMBINATION OF INCREASE IN SUPPLEMENTARY

ESTIMATES, APPROPRIATION RESERVE' AND "EROSION" SAVINGS
ARISING AS PROGRAMS TERMINATED IN BIENNIUM FORESEEN
TO PROTECT FROM INFLATION.

3. OTHER EXPENDITURES BEYOND THOSE IN 18 C/5 WHICH WILL
BE ABSORBED IN ABOVE BUDGET PROPOSAL ARE: OBLIGATORY
GENERAL SERVICE SALARY INCREASES OF ABOUT \$.7 MILLION,
ANTICIPATED UN APPROVAL IN JANUARY 1975 OF 6 PER CENT
SALARY INCREASE FOR PROFESSIONAL STAFF AT COST OF \$5.2
MILLION, CHINESE-ARABIC LANGUAGE IMPLEMENTATION OF
\$.9 MILLION AND LIKELY \$84,000 FOR INTERNAL CULTURAL
FUND.

4. THEREFORE, AS MATTERS NOW STAND, PERMDEL WILL HAVE
TO VOTE BOTH ON BUDGET PROPOSAL AND SPECIFICALLY ON
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INCREASE FROM 2.5 PER CENT TO
5 PER CENT IN SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES THAT EXBD CAN
APPROVE IF NEEDED. VOTE NOT LIKELY TO COME UP UNTIL
OCTCBER 7.

5. COMMENT: PERMDEL PROPOSES VOTE "NO." EXPECT
SOVIETS TO ALSO VOTE "NO." FRG AS YET UNCERTAIN.
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